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    UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
                                        CR No. 15-401(A)-R
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              Plaintiff,
                                        ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL
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                   v.
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    ROBERTO MARTINEZ,
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              Defendant.
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         Having considered the moving and opposition papers, exhibits
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    attached thereto, including the trial transcript, and the arguments
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    of counsel at the December 17, 2015 hearing, the Court hereby DENIES
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    defendant's motion for new trial (Dkt. No. 138). The Court finds
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    that the interests of justice do not require a new trial and that
    this is not an exceptional case in which the evidence preponderates
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    highly against the jury's verdict. The Court DENIES defendant's
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    motion based upon the specific findings made and reasons provided by
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the Court on the record at the December 17, 2015 hearing, and upon the government's opposition to the motion for new trial. IT IS SO ORDERED. Date: December 23, 2015 HONORABLE MANUEL L. REAL UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE Presented by: /s/ JULIUS J. NAM Assistant United States Attorney ¹ At the December 17, 2015 hearing, the Court indicated that the defense did not call any witnesses in support of its cause. The defense, in fact, called three law enforcement witnesses from the government's witness list, but rested without calling any additional

witnesses. The Court finds that the evidence presented by the

trial does not preponderate heavily against the verdict.

defense in its case-in-chief and proffered in its motion for new

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